

**Ask your doctor:
“Do you prescribe
electronically?”**

**For more information about electronic prescribing, call
1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).
TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.**



*“I went to the pharmacy,
and my prescription was
waiting for me”*



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Electronic Prescribing eRx



Connecting to Better Health Care





Electronic Prescribing Can Help You.

eRx

Electronic prescribing (sometimes called “eRx”), is an electronic way for doctors to write and send your prescriptions directly to your pharmacy. This means no more prescriptions on paper and less time waiting to have your prescription filled. Usually, all you need to do is go to your pharmacy and pick up the prescription. It’s that simple. Keep reading to learn about how electronic prescribing can save you time and money, and help to keep you safe.

Electronic Prescribing can keep you safe.

- Doctors have secure access to your prescription history, so they can prescribe drugs that won’t interact with other prescription drugs that you might be taking.
- Electronic prescriptions are easier for the pharmacist to read than handwritten prescriptions. This means there’s less chance you will accidentally get the wrong drug or dose.



Electronic Prescribing can save time and money

- Doctors can easily check which drugs your insurance covers, so they can try to prescribe a covered drug that costs you less.
- You don’t have to drop off your prescription and wait for your pharmacist to fill it. In most cases, your prescription will be ready when you arrive.
- There are fewer phone calls and faxes between your doctor and your pharmacy. This means you get your prescriptions sooner.